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Presidents Message

Hello Everyone,

I wonder if you are looking forward to spring as much as I am. Hang in there; it's almost here!

In my message this month, I want to make special mention of some UNS club members who have either recently been featured in national numismatic publications or who have themselves published a reference or written an article which contributes to the vast library of numismatic knowledge.

First, Bob Campbell was featured in an article entitled "H. Robert Campbell: Compulsive Collector, Dedicated Dad in the

February issue of The Numismatist, published by the ANA. The article features ANA life members and in this instance, paints a great picture of Bob, his collecting habits & family life. It was really fun to read. Next, the very same publication – The Numismatist – featured a cover story article written by Lee McKenzie entitled "A Numismatic View of Heaven & Hell" in the March issue just out. This interesting article takes a look at 11th century Indian coinage and its depiction of the afterlife – heaven & hell. Finally, our very own Doug Nyhom has published a 469 page reference book entitled "Mormon Currency 1837-

1937". This book should be a great help to anyone interested in the fascinating theme of Mormon money. Congratulations to Bob, Lee & Doug for these accomplishments. These and other members of the UNS are what make it such a pleasure for me to be associated with.

This month, we will be have one of our twice yearly UNS auctions, with some proceeds benefiting the club. Bring up to 5 auction items/lots (come early if you can) and we'll have a great time auctioning them off. See you March 9th!

Happy Auctioning,
Tom

March Meeting Details.

Meetings – Second Tuesday of each month (Mar. 9th)

Time - 7:00 P.M.

Location – Columbus Community Center; 2531 South 400 East, SLC

Greetings – Tom Jensen

Mini Exhibit – Ron Swain / Bruce Griggs / Phil Lavorgna

News & Views – Kelly Finnegan

Coin Quiz – Larry Kimura

Refreshments- UNS

UNS Schedule for 2010

March – Auction

April – Medals Voting
Speaker – TBA

May – UNS Birthday
Past President Speaker

June – YN Program

July – UNS Picnic

August –Speaker - TBA

Sept. – Auction

Oct.–Grading Seminar
Speaker – TBA

Nov.–Bourse/Elections

Dec.–Christmas Dinner

AUCTION INFORMATION

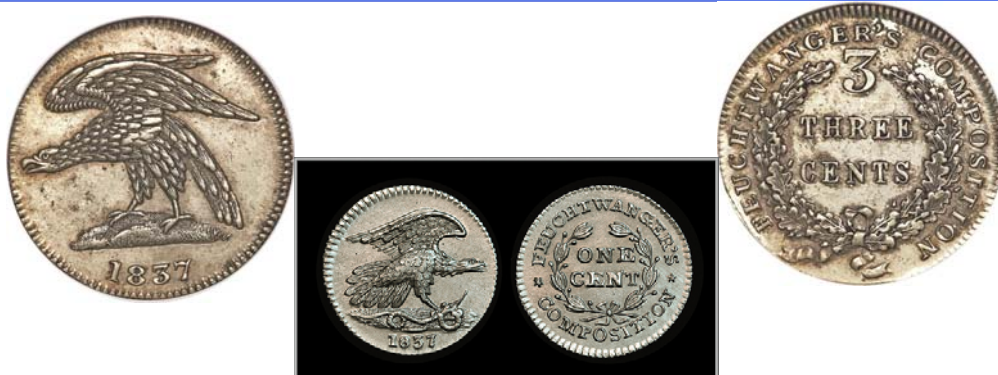
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Interesting Coin of the Month

Feuchtwanger Cent



Lewis Feuchtwanger came to America from Germany in 1829 and operated a apothecary store in New York. He was responsible for introducing the alloy which composed his proposed coins in 1837. The composition was similar to 'German Silver' which it and the Feuchtwanger composition actually contained no silver. The nationwide depression in 1837 or so nicknamed at the time 'The Panic of 1837' gave need for circulating coinage, especially smaller denominations. This economic crisis similar to the civil war several years later caused hoarding and removal of specie from circulation especially silver. Feuchtwanger created and struck these coins which the one cent coin was smaller than the 'Large Cent' of the time and added a three cent coin to supposedly alleviate the shortage of small denomination coinage. He struck the one cent coins in great quantities and the three cent coin in much smaller amounts. Both are collectable and available with the one cent issue being listed in the 'Red Book.'

UNS Program for March's Meeting

This month we will be conducting an auction so bring your material. The auction will be conducted in a similar fashion as the major auction houses. There will be a 10% buyer's commission attached to all sales which will go to the UNS. Each member will be allowed a maximum of 5 lots. Each lot may contain multiple items. Seller reserves will be honored also. Buyers will be required to pay for their lots upon completion of the auction.

Prizes & Buy of the Month

This month's buy is: TBA

National Money Show



Prizes of the Month –

Dos Pesos Gold coin

1979 Souvenir Set
1874 3 Cent Piece
2006 San Francisco Commemorative Dollar
1982 Proof Set
1955 Proof Quarter
Fugio Cent 'Replica'
1864 2 Cent Piece
2008 Commemorative ½ Eagle
1904 -O Morgan Dollar
Chinese replica coin
1971 Eisenhower Silver Dollar
Replica Medieval coins
1996 Canadian First Toonie BU
1954-S Quarter BU
UNS Christmas copper medal
1927 Standing Liberty Quarter
1971 Eisenhower Silver Proof Dollar



Book Review

This book, just recently released in 2010, contains virtually everything anyone could expect on this subject. First, the book measures a whopping 12 ¼" by 9 ¼" and contains 424 'Full Color' pages. It is a price guide listing current values in multiple grades for each note. It is divided into three main sections as follows:

- Imperial and Early Republic
- Pre Revolution
- Post Revolution

Even if you do not collect or intend to collect Mexican currency this is a university course on the subject. I was amazed at the depth and number of issues pictured.

If you do occasionally run across a piece of Mexican scrip this would be a wonderful reference and

could possibly identify your find as a valuable item.

The first portion of this book contains a great history of currency in Mexico. Also bio's of personages appearing on currency are included.

Anyone intending to collect Mexican paper money after looking at this book has to feel that an undertaking would be equal to acquiring every U.S. obsolete note listed in Haxby. I had no idea that there was such a vast variety of Mexican currency.

Bottom line, it is a very high quality book with a wealth of information on this subject. It is very enjoyable to flip the pages and examine the broad expanse of currency issued by our neighbor to the south.

Suggested Retail price \$125

Coin Quiz & Trivia



- Which coin includes the motto 'We Win When We Work Willingly?'
 - 1915 Pan Pac \$50
 - British Pound of 1944
 - 1943 Canadian Nickel
 - 1863 Civil War Token F-233
- What is the smallest U.S. Coin?
 - Silver 3-Cent Piece
 - 1792 Half Disme
 - Type 1 Gold Dollar
 - Bust Half Dime
- What bird is depicted on the English farthings of George VI?
 - Sparrow
 - Wren
 - Starling
 - Vulture
- The first notes of the Confederate States of America dated 1861 are from what city?
 - Richmond, VA
 - Montgomery, AL
 - New Orleans, LA
 - Atlanta, GA
- The words Dei Gratia, meaning 'By The Grace Of God' were omitted from the obverse legend of all Canadian coins for one (1) year. What was that year?
 - 1899
 - 1911
 - 1902
 - 1921

Answers to last month's questions.

1) 1927-D 2) 1827 Quarter 3) Eliasberg 4) 1931 5) B. Max Mehl

Young Numismatist's Corner / Cathy Finnegan

First there were the state quarters. Now we have the America the Beautiful quarters. Starting in 2010, the United States Mint will issue 56 quarter-dollar coins featuring designs depicting national parks and other national sites

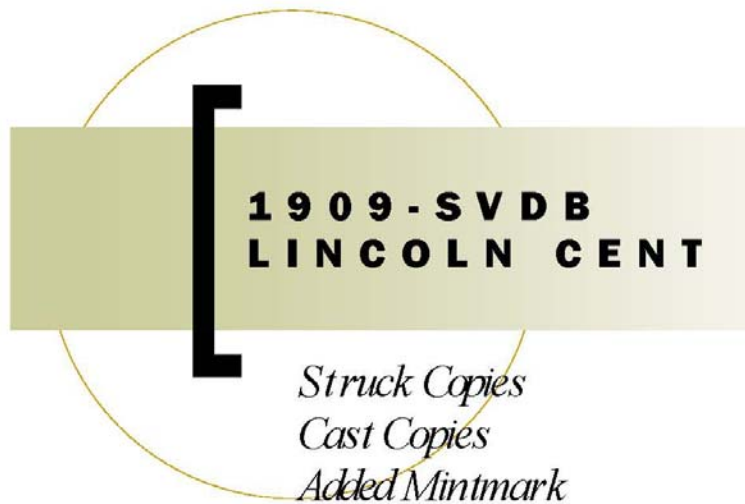
The obverse of the quarters will feature the original design of George Washington by John Flanagan that appeared in 1932.

Each year, five new national site designs will be on the reverse. The United States Mint will issue these quarters in the order in which the honored site was first established as a national site.

Here is a list for 2010/11 so you can impress your family and friends by knowing which quarter is on its way. If you go to the mint website www.usmint.gov you can see how they picked which park to put on and a lot more about the new quarters.

		2010
Arkansas	Hot Springs NP	
Wyoming	Yellowstone NP	
California	Yosemite NP	
Arizona	Grand Canyon NP	
Oregon	Mt. Hood NP	
		2011
Pennsylvania	Gettysburg NMP	
Montana	Glacier NP	
Washington	Olympic NP	
Mississippi	Vicksburg NMP	
Oklahoma	Chickasaw NRA	

Counterfeit Corner



Top to Bottom (die chip in upper loop of S)

- Tilted S, close to 9
- Slightly tilted S, farther from the 9 than previous
- Upright S
- Very low S almost centered under the 0



Authentic V.D.B.



Pick Up Point

Shape, Size, and location of mintmark

Frequency Encountered
Common

Identification Difficulty
Easy to difficult

Value
High

The mintmark for this coin is one of the key diagnostics. There are four different positions. The shape and serifs of the mintmark are also unique for this year. A key diagnostic is the serifs on the mintmark should be parallel. There is also a die chip in the upper loop of the mintmark. A reverse diagnostic is the middle bar of the B in VDB is angled. Most counterfeits are 1909 VDB coins with an added mintmark. 95,000 high quality die struck coins entered the market 40 years ago. All have high rims.

Feature Article –

When I volunteered to write this article, I had no idea what to write about. I am a "beginner" collector. What could I possibly say that would be of interest to members of the UNS, everyone seems so knowledgeable. Then I wondered how they got to be that way. Well, they had to start at the beginning, too.

I read a book entitled "The Coin Collector's Fact Book", by Walter J. Zimmerman. There was some great information for me on how to decide what to collect. It was also very interesting to learn about the historical processes for making coins. There was a short glossary of numismatic terms. Overall, the book was very helpful. However, I had no idea that tokens and medals fell under numismatics. I thought it covered only coins and paper money.

I was like most beginners and bought the Whitman penny books to fill. I'd have fun going to the coin shops and searching through their bowls of pennies to fill my slots. I knew nothing of quality or grading. If I liked how it looked then I bought it. Soon my husband started helping me fill "MY" book. He didn't buy the kind of coins that "I Liked." So, I gave that up and lost interest in numismatics for awhile.

I am also a member of the N.U.T.S. (National Utah Token Society) club here in Salt Lake. It's also for numismatists. There is more of an emphasis on tokens and metal detecting. There is also a focus on historical medals, coins, tokens and bottles. So I belong to two clubs that focus on the part of NUMISMATICS that I enjoy, 'Medals and Tokens.'

I enjoy cast medals and tokens the most. I like how thick they are and the high relief that shows so much more detail. In the book I learned how "cast" medals are made. The metal is actually poured into the die instead of being "pressed."

The glossary was so helpful to me. I've heard a lot of "terms" being thrown around in meetings. I was pretty much clueless as to what was being discussed, so I will continue to go back to that glossary. I know I will need to refresh my mind frequently. Hopefully I will be able to keep up just a little with what is being discussed in UNS.

So to all of you "advanced" collectors, please "remember" the "beginners."

Mary Farnsworth



**Don't miss the Easter
Coin Show at the
Marriott Hotel in
Ogden.**



Identify This Coin

Can you identify the coin pictured above?

This month the entire coins obverse is pictured. The date is 1814 but do you know what it is?

Good Luck!

[Last month's coin was a 1844-O Seated Half. The key was the double punched date.]

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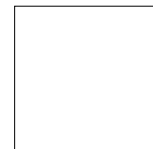
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